SENATE BILL No. 431

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-7-2-131.3; IC 12-13-15.

Synopsis: Sharing of dental care information. Requires each county office of family and children to provide to specified entities a list of dentists in the county who participate in the Medicaid Hoosier Healthwise program. Requires the division of family and children to collaborate with the office of Medicaid policy and planning and the state department of health to establish programs that facilitate children's access to oral health services. Defines "mobile dentist". Requires a mobile dentist who provides dental services to a child to refer the child to a dentist in the county, or a county adjoining the county, in which the services took place.

Effective: July 1, 2001.

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January 18, 2001, read first time and referred to Committee on Health and Provider Services.





First Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2001)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2000 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

| 1 | SECTION 1. IC 12-7-2-131.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA | | |
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| 2 | CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS | | |
| 3 | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2001]: Sec. 131.3. "Mobile dentist", for | | |
| 4 | purposes of IC 12-13-15, has the meaning set forth in | | |
| 5 | IC 12-13-15-1. | | |
| 6 | SECTION 2. IC 12-13-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE | | |
| 7 | AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE | | |
| 8 | JULY 1, 2001]: | | |
| 9 | Chapter 15. Dental Care Information for Indiana Children | | |
| 10 | Sec. 1. (a) "Mobile dentist" means an individual licensed under | | |
| 11 | IC 25-14-1 who: | | |

- (1) provides dental services; and
- (2) does not have a physically stationary office in the county where the services are provided.
- (b) The term includes an individual who provides services through:
 - (1) a mobile health care vehicle; or



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| 1 | (2) the use of portable dental equipment. | |
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| 2 | Sec. 2. Each county office of family and children shall provide | |
| 3 | to the following entities in the county a list of dentists practicing in | |
| 4 | the county who provide dental services under the Medicaid | |
| 5 | program (IC 12-15) or the children's health insurance program | |
| 6 | (IC 12-17.6): | |
| 7 | (1) Head Start programs (42 U.S.C. 9831 et seq.). | |
| 8 | (2) Women, infants, and children nutrition programs (as | |
| 9 | defined in IC 16-35-1.5-5). | |
| .0 | (3) Maternal and child health clinics (as defined in | |
| .1 | IC 16-46-5-5). | |
| 2 | (4) The local health department. | |
| 2 | (5) School nurses appointed under IC 20-8.1-7-5. | |
| 4 | (6) Child care centers licensed under IC 12-17.2-4. | |
| .5 | Sec. 3. The division shall collaborate with the office of Medicaid | |
| 6 | policy and planning established by IC 12-8-6-1 and the state | |
| .7 | department of health established by IC 16-19-1-1 to establish | |
| 8 | programs that facilitate children's access to oral health services. | |
| 9 | Sec. 4. A mobile dentist providing dental services to a child shall | |
| 20 | refer the child to a dentist licensed under IC 25-14-1 with a dental | |
| 21 | office in: | |
| 22 | (1) the county; or | |
| 23 | (2) a county adjoining the county; | |
| 24 | in which the treatment took place. | |
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